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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A telecommunications system, comprising:
a positioning controller adapted to determine positioning information for an associated telecommunications device; and
a wireless communications controller adapted to receive said positioning information from said positioning controller and cause ~~said positioning~~ position-related information to be transmitted to an associated administration device when said associated telecommunications device is determined to be outside of a predetermined location and ~~wherein~~
said administration device is configured to maintain one or more availability rules associated with a user of said associated telecommunications device for contacting said user based on the positioning information and a speed determination derived from said positioning information ~~position and speed~~ over a predetermined period of the associated telecommunications device with respect to the predetermined location.
2. (Currently Amended) A telecommunications system as recited in claim ~~[[9]]~~ 1, wherein said positioning controller receives Global Positioning System (GPS) signals to determine said positioning information.
3. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system as recited in claim 2, wherein said wireless communications controller is a cellular telephone controller.
4. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system as recited in claim 2, wherein said wireless communications controller is a personal communications service (PCS) controller.

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5. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system as recited in claim 1, wherein said positioning information is transmitted if said telecommunications device is determined to be outside of said predetermined location at a particular time or date.

6. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system as recited in claim 1, wherein said positioning controller is adapted to receive predetermined location information via said wireless communications controller.

7. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system, comprising:
a wireless device including a positioning controller and a communications controller; and
an administration device for receiving alerts from said wireless communication device via said communications controller when said positioning controller determines that said wireless device is outside a predetermined location and wherein said administration device is configured to maintain one or more availability rules associated with a user of said wireless device for contacting said user based on the position and a speed derived from position information over a predetermined period of the wireless device with respect to the predetermined location.

8. (Original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 7, wherein said positioning controller receives global positioning network signals for determining a position of said wireless communications device.

9. (Original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 8, wherein said communications controller comprises a cellular network controller for transmitting on a cellular telephone network to said administration device.

10. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 9, wherein said administration device is adapted to display location information when said wireless device is determined to be outside said predetermined location.

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11. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 10, wherein said predetermined location is associated with one or more of a geographic range, time-of-day range, or date range.

12. (Currently Amended) A telecommunications method, comprising:
affixing a wireless device to a predetermined object;
programming said wireless device to be in a predetermined location; and
transmitting one or more alerting signals to an administration device when said wireless device is determined to be outside said predetermined location and wherein said administration device is configured to maintain one or more availability rules associated with a user of said wireless device for contacting said user based on the position and a speed derived from positions over a predetermined period of the wireless device with respect to the predetermined location.

13. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 12, wherein said administration device comprises a telephony device.

14. (Original) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 12, wherein said one or more alerting signals comprise one or more e-mail signals.

15. (Original) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 12, wherein said one or more alerting signals comprise one or more text messaging signals.

16. (Previously Presented) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 12, wherein said predetermined location is associated with at least one of geographic range, time-of-day range, or date range.

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17. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:
a graphical user interface for displaying one or more predetermined locations and allowing a user to select said one or more predetermined locations; and
a controller for programming one or more predetermined locations into a wireless communication device, said wireless communication device including a positioning controller for receiving positioning signals, and a wireless interface for transmitting device positions to an administration device and alerting said administrative device when said wireless communication device is outside said one or more predetermined locations and wherein
said administration device is configured to maintain one or more availability rules associated with a user of said telecommunications device for contacting a user of said wireless communication device based on the position and a speed determination derived from said device positions over a predetermined period of the wireless communication device with respect to the predetermined location.

18. (Previously Presented) A system in accordance with claim 17, wherein said one or more predetermined location are associated with at least one of geographic range, time-of-day range, or date range

19. (Previously Presented) A system in accordance with claim 18, wherein said administration device comprises one or more hardware or software modules of said computer.